

## Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative (RGGI) news:

### ***What is RGGI?***

*The Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative (RGGI) is a cooperative effort among the states of Connecticut, Delaware, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Rhode Island, Vermont, and Virginia to cap and reduce power sector CO<sub>2</sub> emissions.*

### ***RGGI States Initiate Third Program Review and announce public meeting***

The Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative (RGGI) participating states are committed to comprehensive, periodic review of their CO<sub>2</sub> budget trading programs to consider successes, impacts, and design elements. In line with this commitment, the states have initiated the Third Program Review and have published a preliminary Program Review timeline, available [here \[rggi.us1.list-manage.com\]](http://rggi.us1.list-manage.com) and on the [RGGI website. \[rggi.us1.list-manage.com\]](http://rggi.us1.list-manage.com) This timeline is subject to change and may continue to be updated and revised over time.

### ***Listening Session Scheduled for October 5, 2021***

On behalf of the RGGI participating states, RGGI, Inc. will facilitate a listening session to solicit public input on the objectives, topics, and analyses for Program Review. This listening session will be held remotely via phone and webinar on **October 5, 2021, from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm**. Additional meeting information, including how to register for and join the meeting, and how to provide comments, can be found in the [meeting notice \[rggi.us1.list-manage.com\]](http://rggi.us1.list-manage.com) and [agenda \[rggi.us1.list-manage.com\]](http://rggi.us1.list-manage.com). The RGGI states have also released a [Topics for Public Consideration document \[rggi.us1.list-manage.com\]](http://rggi.us1.list-manage.com), which outlines some of the topics on which the states seek feedback for this listening session and throughout Program Review.

All these materials are available on the [Program Review \[rggi.us1.list-manage.com\]](http://rggi.us1.list-manage.com) page of the RGGI website; any additional materials will be posted to the website ahead of the meeting.

Additionally, if you would like to receive **email updates** on Program Review, RGGI CO<sub>2</sub> allowance auction notices, auction results, and other news, subscribe to the RGGI [Mailing List](#).

### ***Public Engagement Survey***

The RGGI states are continuing to seek feedback on the best days, times, and formats for public meetings throughout the Third Program Review. If you have not done so already, please complete this [5-minute survey \[rggi.us1.list-manage.com\]](http://rggi.us1.list-manage.com) to help us schedule effective, accessible public meetings. Responses received by **September 27** would be most helpful for informing next steps, but ongoing input is welcome.

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